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Serial No. 10/765,695



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In re Application of: Shilin Chen  
Serial No.: 10/765,695  
Filing Date: January 27, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 3672  
Title: **FORCE-BALANCED ROLLER-CONE BITS, SYSTEMS,  
DRILLING METHODS, AND DESIGN METHODS**

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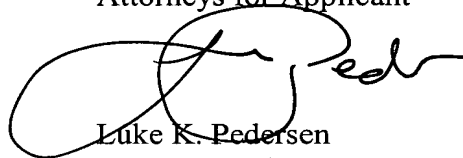
REMARKS

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1), it has been over fourteen months since the filing date of this Application and a Notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132 has not been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

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